

BROKER Connection

News to help you grow your business

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Court Injunction Bans ACA Gender Identity Enforcement



The U.S. District Court of North Texas issued a preliminary injunction that bans the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) from enforcing requirements in its Affordable Care Act (ACA) Nondiscrimination Section 1557 regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of gender identity. This injunction applies to all states.



Broker Bonus Program

- **Correction: The Jan. 11 Broker Connection Specialty Bonus notice statement should have read:** When you sell or renew group term life, supplemental life, dental, short-term disability, long-term disability, vision, critical illness, accident insurance and hospital indemnity insurance from the specialty product portfolio for groups with two or more eligible employees during 2017, you may be eligible for a broker bonus. [Learn more](#)

Compliance & Regulation

- **Broker Security Questionnaire to be Issued:** A new, required online questionnaire to document your security controls, as it relates to sharing of data and information during the sales, implementation and service of UnitedHealthcare customers will be issued to brokers in 2017. [Learn more](#)

Plans & Services

- **Physician Designation Refresh Set for March 1:** Tier 1 and UnitedHealth Premium® Physician Designation refresh to now include all Oncology specialists for payment at the Tier 1 as part of the



ACA Updates:

Given the new administration and Congress' review of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), we will keep you and your clients posted of any changes to the ACA in our Broker and Customer Connection newsletters or in special email announcements as necessary.



More Information

Contact your UnitedHealthcare representative for more information about the items mentioned in this newsletter.

March 1 refresh. [Learn more](#)

- **Creating Health Care Policy:** See how UnitedHealth Group is actively engaging policymakers to develop criteria that will create a modern, simple and high-performing health care system. [Learn more](#)

Broker & Client Support

- **New Lockbox for New Small Business and New 100+ Groups:** Beginning Jan. 1, 2017, UnitedHealthcare implemented a new lockbox for new small business groups and new business 100+ groups administered under the new billing system Billing & Receivable Management Solution (BRMS). [Learn more](#)

Client Health Resources

- The following monthly observance can be directly copied and placed in your clients' employee communications. For additional wellness information visit the [Communication Resource Center](#).
- **February is Heart Health Month:** Check out the [February newsletter](#) for exercise and diet tips for a healthy heart.

For service-related questions, e.g. billing, claims, and benefits, call 1-888-842-4571. Representatives are available 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CT.

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